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June 21, 2006

To:

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From:

David E. Janssen

Chief Administrative Officer

JAIL FACILITIES MASTER PLAN (AGENDA OF JUNE 26, 2006 BUDGET DELIBERATIONS)

In a memorandum dated March 16, 2006, I advised your Board that we would present recommendations on a Jail Facilities Master Plan (Master Plan) during deliberations on the Final 2006-07 Budget. Your Board directed my office in February 2006, to develop the Master Plan, in conjunction with the Sheriff, to address issues of inmate safety, jail security, and overcrowding. The Master Plan will address these issues through recommendations that focus on:

- optimizing the use and capacity of the Sheriff's current jail system through reprogramming, reconfiguration, and refurbishment of existing custody facilities;
- increasing the number of high and medium security beds through new construction;
- providing realistic estimates of proposed design, construction, refurbishment, and operating costs; and
- determining the feasibility of funding options for the estimated capital costs, including voter approved general obligation bonds and/or County issued leasehold revenue bonds.

The Master Plan recommendations will also provide a baseline for the

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develop a plan to address inmate overcrowding at Men's Central Jail and inmate safety throughout the County's jail system.

While we have completed our baseline analysis of construction and refurbishment costs as well as the feasibility of various funding options, we have yet to finalize recommendations on possible program configurations throughout the custody system. As such, and given the complexity of the recommendations under development, we are requesting that our presentation of the Jail Facilities Master Plan be deferred to July 11, 2006.

I am available to discuss this matter with you at your convenience, or your staff may contact Jan Takata at (213) 974-1360.

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c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
County Counsel
Sheriff